

RATIONAL SOLUTION TO A SHALLOW WATER WAVE-LIKE EQUATION

by

Hong-Cai MA^{*}, Ke NI, Guo-Ding RUAN, and Ai-Ping DENG

Department of Applied Mathematics, Donghua University, Shanghai, China

Original scientific paper
DOI: 10.2298/TSCI1603875M

Two classes of rational solutions to a shallow water wave-like non-linear differential equation are constructed. The basic object is a generalized bilinear differential equation based on a prime number, $p = 3$. Through this new transformation and with the help of symbolic computation with MAPLE, both the new equation and its rational solutions are obtained.

Key words: rational solution, generalized bilinear equation,
shallow water wave-like equation

Introduction

In recent years, there has been a growing interest in non-linear differential equations, which are used to describe the mechanical, process control, ecological and economic systems, chemical re-cycling system and other areas of epidemiology issues [1, 2].

Shallow water wave equation is a mathematical description of a wide variety of shallow water fluid motion [3, 4]. In the research of shallow water equations, how to get the rational solutions is very important, however, the difficulty increases due to its non-linearity. If more exact solutions can be obtained through a simple way, a wide application are predicted [5-7].

In this paper, we would like to consider a shallow water wave-like non-linear differential equation induced from a generalized bilinear differential equation of shallow water wave type [8, 9]. Based on the original shallow water wave equation, a new bilinear transformation is considered. Then through the dependent variable transformation, we get the shallow water wave-like equation [10, 11]. From a class of polynomial generating functions, a MAPLE search tells us six classes of rational solutions to the considered shallow water wave-like equation, along with some special interesting solutions. A conjecture on rational solutions to the considered shallow water wave-like equation is made at the end of the paper.

A shallow water wave-like equation

Let us consider a generalized bilinear differential equation of shallow water wave-like type:

$$(D_x^3 D_t - D_x^2 - D_x D_t) f f' - 6f_{xx} f_{xt} - 2f_{xx} f - 2f_x^2 - 2f_{xt} f - 2f_x f_t = 0 \quad (1)$$

* Corresponding author; e-mail: hongcaima@dhu.edu.cn

This is the same type bilinear equation as the shallow water wave one [12]. The previous differential operators are some kind of generalized bilinear differential operators introduced in [13]:

$$D_{p,x}^m D_{p,t}^n f \bar{f} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \alpha_p \frac{\partial}{\partial x}^m \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \alpha_p \frac{\partial}{\partial t}^n f(x, t) \bar{f}(x, t)|_{x=t=t} \quad (2)$$

where $\alpha_p^s = (-1)^{r_p(s)}$, $s = r_p(s) \bmod p$.

In particular, we have:

$$\alpha_3 = 1, \alpha_3^2 = 1, \alpha_3^3 = 1, \alpha_3^4 = 1, \alpha_3^5 = 1, \alpha_3^6 = 1 \quad (3)$$

and thus

$$D_{3,x}^3 D_{3,t} f \bar{f} = 6f_{xx} f_{xt}, D_{3,x}^2 f \bar{f} = 2f_{xx} f - 2f_x^2, D_{3,x} D_{3,t} f \bar{f} = 2f_{xt} f - 2f_x f_t \quad (4)$$

In the case of $p = 2$, i.e., the Hirota case, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{2,x}^3 D_{2,t} f \bar{f} &= 2f_{xxx} f - 6f_{xx} f_{xt} + 6f_{xxt} f_x - 2f_{xxx} f_t \\ D_{2,x}^2 f \bar{f} &= 2f_{xx} f - 2f_x^2, D_{2,x} D_{2,t} f \bar{f} = 2f_{xt} f - 2f_x f_t \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

which generates the standard bilinear [14] shallow water wave equation. Under the link between f and u [15, 16]:

$$u = (\ln f)_x \quad (6)$$

and then the result of these transformation can directly show that the generalized bilinear eq. (1) is linked to a shallow water wave-like scalar non-linear differential equation:

$$\frac{3}{8}(\ u_t dx) u^3 - \frac{3}{4}(\ u_t dx) u u_x - \frac{3}{4} u_t u^2 - \frac{3}{2} u_t u_x - u_t - u_x = 0 \quad (7)$$

Because of the new equation is result from the transformation based on the bilinear forms of the original shallow water wave equation, it is called the shallow water wave-like equation. More precisely, by virtue of the transformation (6), the following equality holds:

$$\frac{(D_x^3 D_t - D_x^2 D_x D_t) f \bar{f}}{f^2} = \frac{3}{8}(\ u_t dx) u^3 - \frac{3}{4}(\ u_t dx) u u_x - \frac{3}{4} u_t u^2 - \frac{3}{2} u_t u_x - u_t - u_x \quad (8)$$

and thus, f solves eq. (1) if and only if $u = (\ln f)_x$ presents a solution to the shallow water wave-like eq. (7). Resonant solutions in term of exponential functions and trigonometric functions [17] have been considered for generalized bilinear equations. In this paper, we would like to discuss their polynomial solutions which generate rational solutions to scalar non-linear differential equations by focusing on the shallow water wave-like eq. (7).

Rational solutions

By symbolic computation with MAPLE, we look for polynomial solutions, with degrees of x and t being less than 10:

$$f = \sum_{i=0}^{10} \sum_{j=0}^{10} c_{ij} x^i t^j \quad (9)$$

where the c_{ij} are constants, and find many classes of polynomial solutions to the generalized bilinear equation. Among these solutions, we selected six solutions which hold a relatively simple form into consideration:

$$f = \frac{c_{21}}{3} x^3 - \frac{c_{11}}{2} x^2 - \frac{c_{11}^2}{4c_{21}} t - 12c_{21}t - \frac{c_{11}^2}{4c_{21}} x - c_{00} \quad (10)$$

$$f = \frac{3c_{30}tx^2}{c_{20}t^2} - \frac{c_{30}x^2}{\frac{c_{20}^2}{3c_{30}}t} - \frac{c_{20}t^2}{36c_{30}t} + \frac{2c_{20}tx}{3c_{30}t^2x} - \frac{c_{20}x^2}{\frac{c_{20}^2}{3c_{30}}x} - \frac{3t^2}{c_{00}} \quad (11)$$

$$f = c_{30}t^3 - \frac{2}{9}c_{12}t^3 - \frac{1}{9}t^2c_{11} - \frac{1}{3}c_{11}tx - \frac{1}{3}c_{01}t - \frac{2}{3}c_{12}t^2x \quad (12)$$

$$f = c_{41}t^5 - c_{41}x^4t - 12c_{41}t^3 - 6c_{41}t^3x^2 - 36c_{41}tx^2 - 4c_{41}x^3t^2 - 4c_{41}t^4x - 24c_{41}t^2x - 108c_{41}t \quad (13)$$

$$f = \frac{1}{16}c_{42}t^6 - \frac{1}{2}c_{42}t^5x - 2c_{42}t^3x^3 - c_{42}t^2x^4 - 3c_{42}t^4 - 12c_{42}t^3x - 36c_{42}t^2x^2 - 108c_{42}t^2 \quad (14)$$

$$f = c_{21}t^3 - c_{21}xt^2 - c_{21}tx^2 - \frac{1}{3}c_{21}x^3 - 2c_{20}t^2 - 2c_{20}tx - c_{20}x^2 - \frac{c_{20}^2}{c_{21}}t - 12c_{21}t - \frac{c_{20}^2}{c_{21}}x - c_{00} \quad (15)$$

where the involved constants c_{ij} 's are arbitrary provided that the solutions make sense.

Taking the concrete forms of the resulting polynomial solutions (10)-(15) into consideration, we can obtain six classes of rational solutions to the shallow water wave-like eq. (7) with the help of MAPLE:

$$u = \frac{6(4a^2x - 4abx - b^2)}{4a^2x^3 - 6abx^2 - 144a^2t - 3b^2t - 3b^2x - 12ac} \quad (16)$$

$$u = \frac{18t^2 - 36tx - 18x^2 - 480t - 480x - 3200}{9t^3 - 9t^2x - 9tx^2 - 3x^3 - 240tx - 120x^2 - 1708t - 1600x} \quad (17)$$

$$u = \frac{16t^3 - 96t^2x - 192tx^2 - 128x^3 - 384t - 2304x}{t^4 - 8t^3x - 24t^2x^2 - 32tx^3 - 16x^4 - 48t^2 - 192tx - 576x^2 - 1728} \quad (18)$$

$$u = \frac{12at^2 - 6bt}{9ct^3 - 9at^2x - 6dt^2 - 3btx - 3et - 3axt^2 - 2at^3 - bt^2} \quad (19)$$

$$u = \frac{8t^3 - 24t^2x - 24tx^2 - 8x^3 - 48t - 144x}{t^4 - 4t^3x - 6t^2x^2 - 4tx^3 - x^4 - 12t^2 - 24tx - 36x^2 - 108} \quad (20)$$

$$u = \frac{6(a^2t^2 - 2a^2tx - a^2x^2 - 2abt - 2abx - b^2)}{3a^2t^3 - 3a^2t^2x - 3a^2tx^2 - a^2x^3 - 6abt^2 - 6abtx - 3abx^2 - 36a^2t - 3b^2t - 3b^2x - 3ac} \quad (21)$$

where a , b , c , d , and e are arbitrary constants. Actually, the polynomial solutions in the first group of (10)-(15) generate the rational solutions in (16)-(21). Note that in (16)-(21), the constants were rescaled and renamed. Pictures of the solution (17), (18), and (20) are given in fig. 1. The rational solutions (16), on one hand, reduced to:

$$u = \frac{6x^2 - 60x - 150}{x^3 - 15x^2 - 111t - 75x} \quad (22)$$

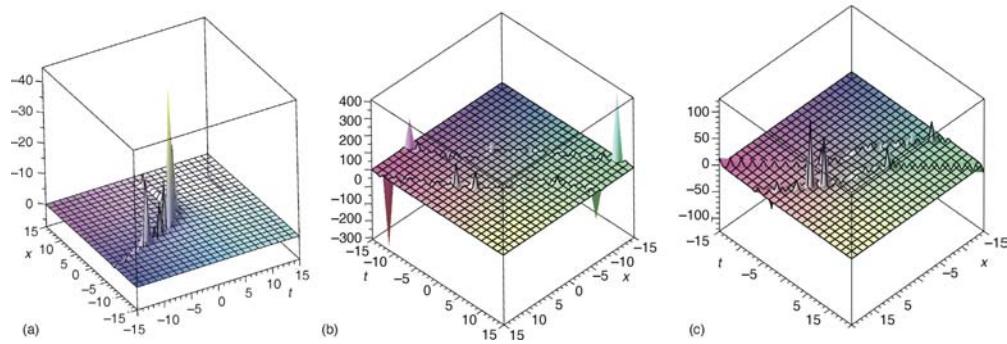


Figure 1. The rational solution: (a) eq. (17); (b) eq. (18); (c) eq. (20)
(for color image see journal web-site)

when $a = 1$, $b = 10$, and $c = 0$. On the other hand, the rational solutions (19) reduces to:

$$u = \frac{12t}{11t^2} \frac{6}{6tx} \frac{t}{t} \frac{3x}{3x} \quad (23)$$

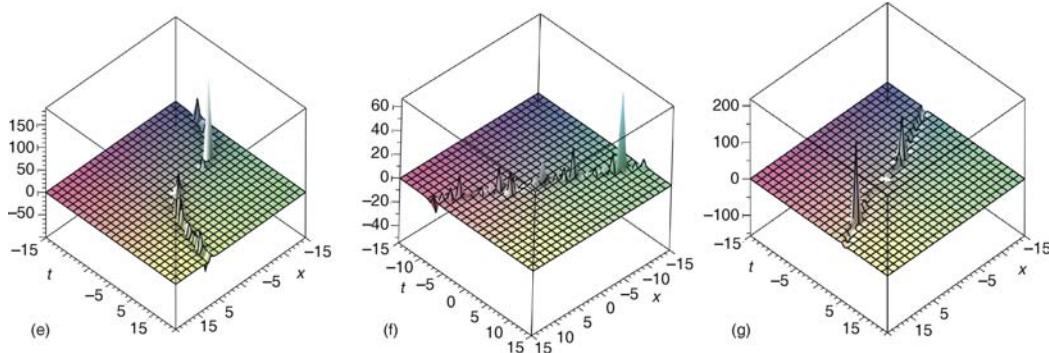


Figure 2. The rational solution: (e) eq. (22); (f) eq. (23); (g) eq. (24)
(for color image see journal web-site)

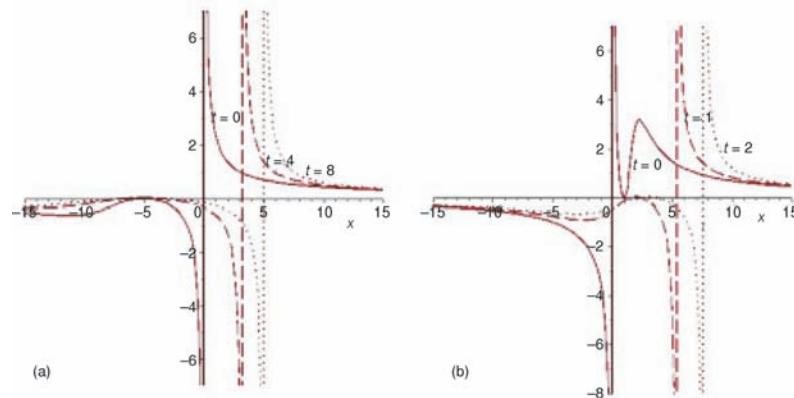


Figure 3. The x -curves of solutions (22) and (24): (a) eq. (22); (b) eq. (24)

when $a = 1, b = 1, c = 1, d = 0$, and $e = 0$. The rational solutions (21) reduces to:

$$u = \frac{6(t^2 - 2tx + x^2 - 2t - 2x - 1)}{3t^3 - 3t^2x - 3tx^2 - x^3 - 6t^2 - 6tx - 3x^2 - 39t - 3x} \quad (24)$$

when $a = 1, b = 1$, and $c = 0$. Pictures of the solution (22)-(24) are given in fig. 2. The x -curves of solutions (22) and (24) are depicted in fig. 3.

Conclusions

We considered a generalized bilinear equation which yields a shallow water wave-like equation [18], and constructed the rational solutions to the resulting shallow water wave-like eq. (7). By a MAPLE symbolic computation, we presented six classes of the constructed rational solutions. The basic starting point is a kind of generalized bilinear differential operators introduced in [19].

It is worth checking if there exists a kind of Wronskian solutions and lump solutions [20] to the shallow water wave-like non-linear eq. (7). We also conjecture that the six classes of rational solutions in (16)-(21) which generated from polynomial solutions to the generalized bilinear eq. (7) under the link (6) would contain all rational solutions to the shallow water wave-like nonlinear eq. (7).

Acknowledgment

The work is supported by the National Natural Science Foundation of China under Grant (No 10647112) and the Fund of Science and Technology Commission of Shanghai Municipality (project No. 13ZR1400100).

References

- [1] Zhang, Y., Ma, W. X., Rational Solutions to a KdV-like Equation, *Applied Mathematics and Computation*, 256 (2015), 1, pp. 252-256
- [2] Ma, W. X., Trilinear Equations, Bell Polynomials, and Resonant Solutions, *Frontiers of Mathematics in China*, 8 (2013), 5, pp. 1139-1156
- [3] Ma, W. X., Lump Solutions to the Kadomtsev-Petviashvili Equation, *Physics Letters A*, 379 (2015), 36, pp. 1975-1978
- [4] Ma, W. X., You, Y., Solving the Korteweg-de Vries Equation by its Bilinear Form: Wronskian Solutions, *Transactions of the American Mathematical Society*, 357 (2005), 5, pp. 1753-1778
- [5] He, J.-H., Li, Z. B., Converting Fractional Differential Equations into Partial Differential Equations, *Thermal Science*, 16 (2012), 2, pp. 331-334
- [6] Ma, H. C., et al., Lie Symmetry and Exact Solution of (2+1)-Dimensional Generalized KP Equation with Variable Coefficients, *Thermal Science*, 17 (2013), 5, pp. 1490-1493
- [7] Ma, H. C., et al., Exact Solutions of Non-Linear Fractional Partial Differential Equations by Fractional Sub-Equation Method, *Thermal Science*, 19 (2015), 4, pp. 1239-1244
- [8] Hu, X. B., Wu, Y. T., Application of the Hirota Bilinear Formalism to a New Integrable Differential-Difference Equation, *Physics Letters A*, 246 (1998), 6, pp. 523-529
- [9] Wang, X., et al., Generalized Darboux Transformation and Localized Waves in Coupled Hirota Equations, *Wave Motion*, 51 (2014), 7, pp. 1149-1160
- [10] Elwakil, S. A., et al., Exact Travelling Wave Solutions for the Generalized Shallow Water Wave Equation, *Chaos, Solitons & Fractals*, 17 (2003), 1, pp. 121-126
- [11] Ma, W. X., You, Y., Rational Solutions of the Toda Lattice Equation in Casoratian form, *Chaos Solitons & Fractals*, 22 (2004), 2, pp. 395-406
- [12] Hietarinta, J., A Search for Bilinear Equations Passing Hirota's Three-Soliton Condition. IV. Complex Bilinear Equations, *Journal of Mathematical Physics*, 29 (1988), 3, pp. 628-635
- [13] Wadati, M., Introduction to Solitons, *Pramana*, 57 (2001), 5-6, pp. 841-847

- [14] Bagchi, B., et al., New Exact Solutions of a Generalized Shallow Water Wave Equation, *Physica Scripta*, 82 (2010), 2, pp. 1485-1502
- [15] Hirota, R., *The Direct Method in Soliton Theory*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, UK, 2004
- [16] Thacker, W. C., Some Exact Solutions to the Nonlinear Shallow-Water Wave Equations, *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*, 107 (1981), 6, pp. 499-508
- [17] Freeman, N. C., Nimmo, J. J. C., Soliton Solutions of the Korteweg-de Vries and Kadomtsev-Petviashvili Equations: The Wronskian Technique, *Physics Letters A*, 95 (1983), 1, pp. 1-3
- [18] Zhang, H., New Exact Travelling Wave Solutions for Some Nonlinear Evolution Equations, *Chaos Solitons & Fractals*, 26 (2005), 4, pp. 921-925
- [19] Ma, W. X., Bilinear Equations, Bell Polynomials and Linear Superposition Principle, *Journal of Physics Conference Series*, 411 (2013), 1, pp. 594-597
- [20] Ma, W. X., Generalized Bilinear Differential Equations, *Studies in Nonlinear Sciences*, 2 (2011), 4, pp. 140-144